

**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-00575-CJN**

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE
Assigned to: Judge Carl J. Nichols
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 03/01/2019
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
03/01/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5975820) filed by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>3</u> Summons, # <u>4</u> Summons, # <u>5</u> Summons)(McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/01/2019	<u>2</u>	LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/01/2019		Case Assigned to Judge Dabney L. Friedrich. (zef,) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/01/2019	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zef,) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/11/2019	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 3/4/2019. (

		Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 4/3/2019.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 3/8/2019., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE served on 3/7/2019 (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 03/11/2019)
04/03/2019	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Jason Todd Cohen on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 04/03/2019)
04/03/2019	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.(Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 04/03/2019)
04/09/2019		MINUTE ORDER requiring the parties to MEET AND CONFER and file a joint status report proposing a schedule for further proceedings. The status report should address the status of the plaintiff's FOIA request, including the anticipated number of documents responsive to the request and the anticipated date(s) for release of the requested documents. The parties shall file the joint status report on or before May 3, 2019. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on April 9, 2019. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 04/09/2019)
05/03/2019	<u>7</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 05/03/2019)
05/03/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>7</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before June 4, 2019. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on May 3, 2019. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 05/03/2019)
05/03/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 6/4/2019. (zcal) (Entered: 05/03/2019)
06/04/2019	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 06/04/2019)
06/04/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon consideration of the parties' <u>8</u> Joint Status Report, it is ORDERED that the parties shall submit another joint status report on or before July 9, 2019. Signed by Judge Dabney L. Friedrich on June 4, 2019. (lcdlf3) (Entered: 06/04/2019)
06/05/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 7/9/2019. (zcal) (Entered: 06/05/2019)
06/24/2019		Case directly reassigned to Judge Carl J. Nichols. Judge Dabney L. Friedrich is no longer assigned to the case. (rj) (Entered: 06/24/2019)
07/09/2019	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 07/09/2019)
08/13/2019		MINUTE ORDER. In light of the Parties' <u>9</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the Parties shall submit an additional Joint Status Report by August 22, 2019. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on August 13, 2019. (lccjn1) (Entered: 08/13/2019)
08/14/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Additional Joint Status Report due by 8/22/2019. (mac) (Entered: 08/14/2019)
08/21/2019	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 08/21/2019)
08/22/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of Parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the Parties submit an additional Joint Status Report by October 3, 2019. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on August 22, 2019. (lccjn2) (Entered: 08/22/2019)
08/22/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 10/3/2019. (zcdw) (Entered: 08/25/2019)
10/03/2019	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 10/03/2019)

10/04/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the Parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the Parties submit a Joint Status Report by November 20, 2019. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on October 4, 2019. (lccjn2) (Entered: 10/04/2019)
10/04/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines/Hearings: Joint Status Report due by 11/20/2019. (zcdw) (Entered: 10/04/2019)
11/20/2019	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (McGrath, Daniel) (Entered: 11/20/2019)
11/22/2019		MINUTE ORDER. Upon review of the Parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the Parties shall submit a Joint Status Report by January 21, 2020. Signed by Judge Carl J. Nichols on November 22, 2019. (lccjn2) (Entered: 11/22/2019)
11/24/2019	<u>13</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Sean Michael Tepe on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Substituting for attorney Jason Cohen (Tepe, Sean) (Entered: 11/24/2019)
11/25/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/21/2020 (mac) (Entered: 11/25/2019)